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For: **SPIN VALVE STRUCTURE WITH SI SEED LAYER AND REDUCED
PtMn ANTIFERROMAGNETIC LAYER THICKNESS**

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is submitted with the filing of an RCE and in response to the Notice of Panel Decision from Pre-Appeal Brief Review mailed April 12, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims - Amendments to the claims are made in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. In this amendment claims 1-28 remain as previously stated, previously "withdrawn" claims 29-40 are "cancelled", and new claims 41-52 are inserted.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.